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ROLE OF CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT

School Districts

Some school districts choose to contract with a Construction Management firm (CM) which performs the functions of a prime or general contractor. Subcontractors working on these projects will contract directly with the school district and are treated as prime contractors for purposes of the Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE) requirements. Each contract must either meet the participation goals or the good faith effort criteria in order to be eligible for an award. School districts and/or CM firms may assist the bidders that are seeking to comply with the DVBE requirements by developing a list of subcontractors/suppliers that could be solicited for participation. This list of interested subcontractors/suppliers would then be passed on to the plan holding contractors. The CM may assist in the coordination of forms required for submittal by the contractor/subcontractor/supplier.

The CM firm may use Parts I and II of the form, Prime Bidder Good Faith Effort Worksheet, to develop a list of interested subcontractors/suppliers.

Contacts:

The CM firm may make the required contacts listed in this part to obtain lists of subcontractors/suppliers that may be solicited to participate.

Advertisements:

The CM firm may advertise in trade and focus papers. The advertisement must comply with the requirements listed in this part of the form as well as include a list of the plan holding contractors that will be using subcontractors/suppliers.

The CM firm must provide all plan holding contractors with the documentation of the above process to include on their form, *Prime Bidder Good Faith Effort Worksheet*.

The activities required in Part III - Solicitations of the form, *Prime Bidder Good Faith Effort Worksheet* must be independently performed by each plan holding contractor. The requirements of this part would include inviting subcontractors/suppliers to bid, listing each DVBE contacted and indicating if the firm will be used or why it is not being used.